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In re Application of:
Wang et al.

Serial No.: 09/748,451

Filed: December 22, 2000

For: DNA FRAGMENTATION FACTOR
INVOLVED IN APOPTOSIS

Group Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: Moore, William W.

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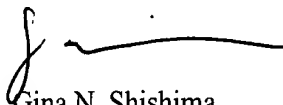
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants request an extension of time of five months to and including February 27, 2003 in which to file their response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 27, 2002. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the extension fee is \$985.00. A check is enclosed. Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/UTSD:546USD1.

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